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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated November 16, 2004, please reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

AMENDMENT

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Reply to the Office Action dated: November 16, 2004

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Zacharia for the helpful and courteous discussion with Applicants' Representative on January 6, 2005. The Examiner wanted a detailed explanation of why the polymer obtained in the experiment described in the Rule 132 Declaration filed October 21, 2004 is the same as polymer A of Matsukura et al. Applicants' Representative noted that monomer amount and conversion rate do not influence the ratio of monomer unit and the molecular weight of the polymer, respectively.